

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF INDIANA

IN RE:

GENERAL ORDER REQUIRING  
PROOF OF IDENTIFICATION  
FOR PRO SE FILERS,

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09-0006

**ORDER**

Effective immediately, Any *pro se* debtor wishing to file a voluntary petition, any *pro se* petitioning creditor wishing to file an involuntary petition, or any *pro se* plaintiff wishing to file an adversary complaint must appear in person and present sufficient identification before the petition or complaint will be accepted for filing. For *pro se* joint cases filed under 11 U.S.C. §302, only one spouse must be present.

An exception may be granted if the debtor, creditor, or plaintiff has executed a power of attorney, and the holder of the power of attorney has presented the power of attorney and sufficient identification.

For purposes of this General Order, "sufficient identification" means a valid photo driver's license or other government-issued photo identification.

Any petition or complaint presented by a *pro se* party who provides sufficient identification will be accepted for filing unless the petition or complaint is not accompanied by any required filing fee (or an application to pay the voluntary bankruptcy case filing fee in installments or to waive the fee for filing a Chapter 7 case).

Date:

10/15/09



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Basil H. Lorch III  
Chief Bankruptcy Judge